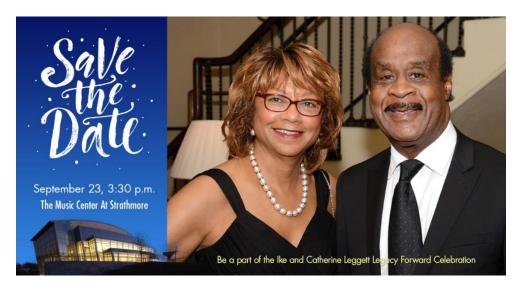


Bringing the County Closer to You!

Isiah Leggett, County Executive Timothy Firestine, Chief Administrator Officer Catherine Matthews, Director Kraig Walsleben, UCAB Chair

#### **August 10, 2018**



The Leggett Legacy Forward
Sunday, September 23
doors open at 3:30pm; event starts at 4:00pm
The Music Center at Strathmore

"Leggett Legacy Forward" is an event to raise money to help underrepresented County students to go to college through the Achieving College Excellence and Success (ACES) program, a partnership of Montgomery College, the Montgomery County Public Schools, and the Universities at Shady Grove. Sponsored by County Executive Ike Leggett and County First Lady Mrs. Catherine Leggett, the event will be held at The Music Center at Strathmore, starting at 4 p.m. Admission is free, though ticket must be <u>reserved</u>.

For more information about Leggett Legacy Forward and ACES, and to donate, go to www.leggettlegacyforward.org.

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# Visit the Montgomery County Fair! August 10 - 18

The Montgomery County Fair returns to the fairgrounds in Gaithersburg. For information about the fair schedule, rides, tickets and more, visit the <u>website</u> or follow on Twitter <u>@mocofair</u>. Founded in 1949, the Montgomery County Agricultural Center has been home to the Montgomery County Fair since its creation.

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## MD Comptroller and MD Retailers Association Announce Tax-Free Week Scholarship Contest (MD Tax Free Week is August 12-18)

Comptroller Peter Franchot joined with the Maryland Retailers Association (MRA) today to announce a social media contest coinciding with Shop Maryland Tax-Free Week in which two winners will receive \$2,500 and \$1,000 scholarships, respectively, to any Maryland university, college or trade school.

Leading up to and during the annual Shop Maryland Tax-Free Week, which takes place August 12 to 18, shoppers should like or follow the official social media pages on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

Then snap a picture or take a video that incorporates the theme of "Maryland" (the state colors, school apparel, sports team, a crab, etc.), write a creative caption and use #shopmdtaxfree during Tax-Free Week to submit an entry on any or all of the social media platforms.

MRA, which is providing the scholarships, will select the two entries at the week's conclusion that best reflect the spirit of Shop Maryland Tax-Free Week.

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## Global Climate Action Summit Montgomery County

Tuesday, August 14 8:30am-12:00noon Silver Spring Civic Building One Veterans Plaza, Silver Spring

You are invited to attend a Global Climate Action Summit Montgomery County affiliate event that will address climate change initiatives in the County. This mini-summit will allow for policymakers, experts, and advocates to come together to brainstorm ideas and determine goals for addressing climate change.

There will also be a follow-up briefing on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 in the County Council Office Building, 100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville to further discuss local efforts. Both events are free of charge.

For more information, please visit the registration page <a href="here">here</a>. The Facebook Event page can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

co-hosted by

Councilmember Tom Hucker, One Montgomery Green, Integrative Strategies Forum, and Poolesville Green

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#### **Combatting Human Trafficking in Maryland**

Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett joined Governor Larry Hogan as he announced <a href="new initiatives">new initiatives</a> to combat human trafficking in Maryland. Hogan announced creation of an Anti-Human Trafficking Director position; a new crime, research, and innovation center; strengthened data collection; an updated identification protocol; \$5 million in funding for anti-human trafficking efforts; and legislation to categorize felony human trafficking as a violent crime. Leggett and Hogan referenced recent Montgomery County successes in both arresting and prosecuting human traffickers as well as ongoing collaborations to increase protections for victims in the County and the state of Maryland.

For more, visit <a href="http://governor.maryland.gov/2018/08/09/governor-larry-hogan-announces-initiatives-to-combat-human-trafficking">http://governor.maryland.gov/2018/08/09/governor-larry-hogan-announces-initiatives-to-combat-human-trafficking</a>

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## <u>Identifying Out-of-School-Time Providers for Excel Beyond the Bell Middle Schools</u>

Open Solicitation #2018-61

First Closing Date: Monday, August 13, 2018

The Collaboration Council leads Excel Beyond the Bell (EBB), the County's initiative to create a local out-of-school time (OST) system that will increase the number of quality programs promoting positive youth development, especially in our most vulnerable communities, that will inspire children and youth to achieve their full potential (see <a href="https://www.excelbeyondthebell.org">www.excelbeyondthebell.org</a> for more information).

#### Excel Beyond the Bell Middle School Program

As part of this initiative, a three-year out-of-school time pilot was created in partnership with the Montgomery County Recreation Department (MCRD) and Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS). In its first year, EBB programs were located at Argyle Middle School in Wheaton, Roberto Clemente in Germantown, and A. Marion Loiederman in Silver Spring. EBB school sites have expanded to include Francis Scott Key in Silver Spring, Forest Oak in Gaithersburg, Montgomery Village in Montgomery Village, Neelsville in Germantown, and Col. E. Brooke Lee in Silver Spring.

The Collaboration Council seeks Letters of Interest from organizations and qualified individuals to serve as a preapproved pool of potential out-of-school time vendors to serve middle school students at a particular school or schools within the Excel Beyond the Bell Middle School out-of-school time system. Vendors are strongly encouraged to consider operating at more than one location.

Click here for complete details and how to submit your Letter of Interest

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#### **Birth Certificate Fee to Increase September 4**

https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press Detail.aspx?Item ID=22333

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### County Offers Mini-Grants for Food Security Organizations; Applications Due September 4

Community organizations involved with food security issues are urged to apply for mini-grants ranging from \$500 to \$10,000 to improve capacity and infrastructure dedicated to increasing food security or to support inventive and collaborative approaches to reducing food insecurity. Tax-exempt organizations applying for the mini-grants can use the funding for direct service or assistance to vulnerable populations; this may involve meal preparation, distribution, transportation and/or delivery. The funding may also be used for recovery of food that is good to eat but otherwise would be wasted. The County's vision for food security is a community where all residents have access to safe, sufficient, nutritious food.

Funding for the grant program is included in the FY19 operating budget for the County's Department of Health and Human Services. Organizations can apply independently or in collaboration with other groups. This mini-grants program will amplify efforts underway to Community Food Rescue (CFR), a program of Manna Food Center, who will be distributing the grants.

Applications are due by close of business on Tuesday, September 4, 2018. For information about application guidelines and to complete an online application, visit <a href="https://bit.ly/2mZl76e">https://bit.ly/2mZl76e</a>. Questions can be directed to Diana Tato-Niktash at 240-777-3404 or by email to diana.tato-niktash@montgomerycountymd.gov.

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# County Council Public Hearing on ZTA 18-11 Telecommunications Towers – Approval Standards

Tuesday, September 25 7:30pm Sign up to testify by 9/11/18 by clicking here.

The County Council introduced legislation to address 5G small deployment in residential areas. Click <u>here</u> for ZTA 18-11 as it was introduced. For additional info about small cells, click <u>here</u>.

NOTICE OF UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS - Council meeting notices are posted on the bulletin board in the fourth floor lobby of the Council Office Building in Rockville, and on the Council's website at <a href="http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/council/pdf/agenda/FutureMtgs.pdf">http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/council/pdf/agenda/FutureMtgs.pdf</a>

The Council Agenda is subject to change any time after printing or during the Council meeting. Please contact the Council Office or visit our website to obtain updates.

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# Matching Mini-Grants Now Available for Neighborhood Projects or Events! 2018-2019

Sometimes all that is keeping a wonderful neighborhood event from materializing is a relatively small amount of resources... Well, now there is a local source for that!

**The Neighborhood Events Matching Fund** was established by Montgomery County to encourage capacity building, neighborhood beautification, networking, and to stimulate the local economy. The maximum grant amount is \$1,000. Funds must be matched and the event must take place this fiscal year – between now and June 30, 2019.

There is no deadline for application, but the event must be held by June 30, 2019 and funding is limited. So, regardless of whether your project or event is next month or months away, apply now!

Applying is easy. For an application, contact your Regional Director:

Bethesda/Chevy Chase: Kenneth Hartman - <u>Kenneth.Hartman@montgomerycountymd.gov</u> (240-777-8206) East County: Jewru Bandeh - <u>Jewru.Bandeh@montgomerycountymd.gov</u> (240-777-8414) Mid-County: Luisa Montero - <u>Luisa.Montero@montgomerycountymd.gov</u> (240-777-8101) Silver Spring: Reemberto Rodriguez - <u>Reemberto.Rodriguez@montgomerycountymd.gov</u> (240-777-5307) Upcounty: Catherine Matthews - Catherine.Matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov (240-777-8040)

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## Following in His Footsteps - Maryland's Frederick Douglass Driving Tour

2018 is the "Year of Frederick Douglass" in honor of the 200th anniversary of the birth of the famed abolitionist, writer, and orator. See details for starting your driving tour.

https://www.visitmaryland.org/driving-tours/following-his-footsteps-marylands-frederick-douglass-driving-tour

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For more News from the Office of the County Executive, visit: http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/news

For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press\_List.aspx?id=01

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news\_releases

#### Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <a href="http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library">http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library</a>

Department of Recreation <a href="http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp">http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp</a>

Department of Transportation <a href="http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html">http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html</a>

Department of Environmental Protection <a href="http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp">http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp</a>

Department of Permitting Services <a href="http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx">http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx</a>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <a href="http://www.montgomeryserves.org">http://www.montgomeryserves.org</a>

Office of Community Partnerships <a href="http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html">http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html</a>

Commission for Women <a href="http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html">http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html</a>

Parks Department <a href="http://www.montgomeryparks.org">http://www.montgomeryparks.org</a> Planning Department <a href="http://montgomeryplanning.org">http://montgomeryplanning.org</a>